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SUBJECT: CONSTRUCTION OF TWO TANKER SHIPS BY SASEBO
HEAVY INDUSTRIES

1. SASEBO HEAVY INDUSTRIES CO., KYUSHU, JAPAN, CONFIRMED PRESS REPORTS THAT THEY RECENTLY RECEIVED A SHIPBUILDING EXPORT ORDER FROM WORLDWIDE SHIPPING, HONG KONG, FOR CONSTRUCTION OF TWO 51,000 DWT TANKERS, VALUED AT APPROXIMATELY \$U.S. 340 MILLION. THE TANKERS ARE TO BE CHARTERED TO PHILLIPS PETROLEUM. THE ORDER REPRESENTS A YEAR'S WORK FOR THE FINANCIALLY BELEAGUERED FIRM WHICH HAD BEEN SEVERELY AFFECTED BY THE JAPANESE RECESSION. ALTHOUGH UNCONFIRMED, EMBOFF WAS TOLD PAYMENT WAS TO BE MADE IN CASH WITHOUT SPECIAL FINANCING ARRANGEMENTS.

2. CONSTRUCTION OF THESE SHIPS COULD PROVIDE OPPORTUNITY FOR SOME U.S. MADE COMPONENTS. INTERESTED U.S. POTENTIAL SUPPLIERS MAY CONTACT: MR. MASAYOSHI MOTOYAMA, MANAGER, FOREIGN SHIP SALES DEPARTMENT, SASEBO HEAVY INDUSTRIES, 2-2-1, OHTEMACHI, CHIYODA-KU, TOKYO 100, JAPAN.
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